

International & Government Information Sources on the 'Net

Academic

Northwestern University International Documents Collection

<http://www.library.northwestern.edu/govpub/resource/internat/>

Foreign Governments

<http://www.library.northwestern.edu/govpub/resource/internat/foreign.html>

International Governments

<http://www.library.northwestern.edu/govpub/resource/internat/igo.html>

International Portal Sites

Search Engine Colossus

<http://www.searchenginecolossus.com/>

This is a gateway to country-specific directories of links. They are excellent for finding business web sites by topic from only one country. Some of the sites can also serve as links to foreign-language directories.

Country Reports.org

<http://www.countryreports.org/>

This easy to use site provides up to date factual information on about 260 countries around the world. A profile of each country is provided as well as maps, sound recordings of national anthems and weather conditions. Much of the information provided is from the CIA World Factbook.

Portals to the World

<http://www.loc.gov/rr/international/portals.html>

This site from the Library of Congress contains links about the nations and major world regions. Resources under each country are organized into several broad categories such as government, business and language. There is also a general resources category for each country as well as a map indicating major cities. Area Specialists and other Library of Congress staff select all resources. This project is still in progress and will include all the nations of the world when finished.

One World-Nations Online

<http://www.nationsonline.org/>

This gateway to information about 200 countries provides links to resources on government, news, business and finance, education, culture and history. Information can be found by

country but also by several other access points such as cities, continents, latest news, international codes, etc.

Library of Congress Country Studies

<http://lcweb2.loc.gov/frd/cs/cshome.html>

The Country Studies Series presents a description and analysis of the historical setting and the social, economic, political, and national security systems and institutions of countries throughout the world and examines the interrelationships of those systems and the ways they are shaped by cultural factors.

USINFO

Bureau of International Information Programs, Department of State

<http://usinfo.state.gov/>

Includes resources and Internet Sites

Ex: Economics

International & Economics Trade Links

http://usinfo.state.gov/ei/economic_issues/econ_links.html

Ex: Environment

U.S.: http://usinfo.state.gov/gi/global_issues/environment/environ_govt.html

NGOs: http://usinfo.state.gov/gi/global_issues/environment/environ_org.html

United Nations

<http://www.un.org/>

UNHCR: <http://www.unhcr.ch/cgi-bin/texis/vtx/home>

Relief Web: <http://www.reliefweb.int/w/rwb.nsf>

U.S. Government

Legislative

Thomas

<http://thomas.loc.gov/>

Portal site to U.S. legislative information.

Executive

Firstgov

<http://www.firstgov.gov>

Portal site to all U.S. government information.

Fedstats

<http://www.fedstats.gov>

Portal site to all federal statistical information.

Federal Web Locator

<http://www.infoctr.edu/fwl/>

Judicial

Supreme Court

<http://www.supremecourtus.gov/>

Official site for U.S. Supreme Court

Findlaw

<http://www.findlaw.com>

Excellent site for legal information.

Cornell Legal Information Institute

<http://www.law.cornell.edu/>

Excellent academic site for legal information.

U.S. Information-General

InfoUSA

<http://usinfo.state.gov/usa/infousa/>

U.S. government site for general information about the U.S.

Think Tanks

<http://usinfo.state.gov/usa/infousa/politics/thnktank.htm>

Guide to finding U.S. think tanks.

U.S. Foreign Policy: Government

State Department Bureau International Information Programs

<http://usinfo.state.gov/>

The State Department's Office of International Information Programs (IIP) is the principal international strategic communications service for the foreign affairs community.

Foreign Press Center

<http://fpc.state.gov/>

State Department press center in Washington D.C. Provides briefings to the foreign press and publishes the transcripts online. Also provides many useful links to foreign policy documents including Congressional Research Service reports.

U.S. Foreign Policy

Defense Department

<http://www.defenselink.mil/news/>

The mission of DefenseLINK is to support the overall mission of the Department of Defense by providing official, timely and accurate information about defense policies, organizations, functions and operations.

Central Intelligence Agency

<http://www.cia.gov/>

President Truman created the Central Intelligence Agency in 1947 with the signing of the National Security Act. The National Security Act charged the Director of Central Intelligence (DCI) with coordinating the nation's intelligence activities and correlating, evaluating and disseminating intelligence, which affects national security.

U.S. Foreign Policy: Academic

The National Security Archive at George Washington University

<http://www.gwu.edu/~nsarchiv/>

The National Security Archive is an independent non-governmental research institute and library located at The George Washington University in Washington, D.C. The Archive collects and publishes declassified documents acquired through the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA).